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Milwaukee County, Dane County Executives Enter Into Friendly Wager for NCAA Tournament

MILWAUKEE - To celebrate Marquette University and the University of Wisconsin – Madison's successful regular season and their upcoming games in the NCAA Tournament, Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele and Dane County Executive Joe Parisi have agreed to a friendly wager.

If Marquette wins more games than Wisconsin, Parisi will send Abele a gift basket full of Dane County locally roasted coffee and chocolates from area chocolatiers.

If the Badgers win more games than the Golden Eagles, Abele will send Parisi a case of Sprecher Root Beer and sausages from Klement's and Usinger's.

In honor of both teams and regardless of the outcome, Parisi will make a personal donation to The Boys and Girls Club of Greater Milwaukee and Abele will make a personal donation to the Boys and Girls Club of Dane County.

"Everyone in Wisconsin has a lot to be proud of as Marquette and Wisconsin tip off Thursday," Abele said. "Hopefully they will meet in the championship and show everyone once again why Wisconsin has the best sports teams in the country."

"We couldn't be more excited for our Badgers' 14th consecutive appearance in the NCAA tournament," said Parisi. "Both teams have much to be proud of and great fans cheering them on. We wish everyone the very best of luck in the tournament."

If both teams win the same amount of games, both Parisi and Abele will honor their bets. In the spirit of this wager, Parisi and Abele encourage people to make a donation to the charity of their choice as well.

Go Marquette,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Abele".

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Go Badgers,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph T. Parisi".

Joe Parisi